

The claims in the application are now claims 40, 44 to 54 and 56 to 58, all other claims having been cancelled.

The present amendment amends claim 40 to more clearly point out what the basic acids are and it is believed that the claims are patentable over the prior art for the reasons incorporated in the amendment of March 24, 2003 and the amendment of December 9, 2002 and favorable reconsideration of the application is requested.

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**MARKED UP VERSION OF CLAIM 40 SHOWING CHANGES MADE**

**Claim 40 (amended)** A pharmaceutical, hygienic or cosmetic composition consisting essentially of comprising as active ingredients a combination of 3 to 95% by weight of seawater and a basic amino acid found in its natural form, or its salts or esters or at least one of a plant and animal extract, or a phytoplankton extract form, in combination or admixed with - 0.0001 to 10% by weight of at least one member selected from the group consisting of an inert non-toxic carrier or excipient, appropriate for the said application.

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